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PLANNING COORDINATION COMMITTEE **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** TECHNICAL STUDIES SUBCOMMITTEE

Subject: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Path 15 Upgrade – Move to Phase 2

By letter dated November 16, 2001, Mr. Ben Morris of Pacific Gas and Electric Company transmitted the Path 15 Upgrade Comprehensive Progress Report in accordance with the WSCC Procedures for Regional Planning Project Review and Rating Transmission Facilities.

The RPPC has completed its assessment of the project's conformity with WSCC's Regional Planning Guidelines. The WSCC has received complete project representation for inclusion in WSCC base cases. And, the Path 15 Comprehensive Progress Report has gone through a 60 day review period by TSS and PCC and been accepted.

I understand that a project review group has been formed. The WSCC staff has no record of other objections to, or outstanding issues that would prevent the project from moving into Phase 2. Outstanding questions, unresolved issues, and additional study can be performed through activities of the project review group. Therefore, in accordance with the Procedures for Regional Planning Project Review and Rating Transmission Facilities, the Path 15 Upgrade Project is now passed from Phase 1 into Phase 2 status.

> Sincerely, Joseph W. Seabrook Joseph W. Seabrook

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